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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
WITH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 29, 2004, applicant hereby provisionally elects to continue prosecuting the claims of Group I (claims 1-4) and species A (Figs. 1-4), and subspecies AA (Figs. 9-15), with traverse.

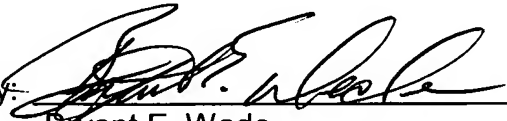
The Examiner is requested to reconsider the restriction requirement since the groups of claims are so sufficiently related that an undue burden would not be placed upon the Examiner by maintaining both groups of claims in one application. (see, e.g., MPEP §

803).

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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